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In re the PATENT application of

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Serial No. 09/529,391 ✓

Group Art Unit: 1771 ✓

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Examiner: Guarriello, J. ✓

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN-LINE SPLITTING OF PLURAL COMPONENT FIBERS AND FORMATION OF NONWOVEN FABRICS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time period for responding to the Restriction of April 23, 2002 from May 23, 2002, to June 23, 2001. Applicant further petitions that any and all additional extensions of the term necessary to render timely the filing of the accompanying response be granted.

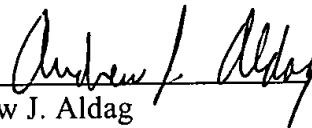
Attached is a Check No. 5993 in the amount of \$55.00 in payment of the statutory fee for a one month extension of time. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.

Respectfully submitted,

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